

CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for at least one of charging and powering a personal digital assistant non-hub peripheral device, the method comprising
connecting the personal digital assistant to a computer comprising a universal serial bus hub driver, the personal digital assistant connected to the computer using a connector comprising a cable having a universal serial bus compliant plug and port combination, wherein installing software installed in the peripheral device personal digital assistant is configured to represent the personal digital assistant to the computer as a hub instead of as a personal digital assistant to draw that enables the peripheral device to be at least one of charged and powered by- from the a computer by sending a first signal to the computer, and wherein the software is configured to represent the personal digital assistant to the computer as the hub being connected to one peripheral device if the personal digital assistant is not connected to any peripheral devices by sending a second signal to the computer;
connecting the peripheral device to the computer;
using the software to sending a the first signal to the computer that identifies the peripheral device as a hub even though the peripheral device is not a hub, wherein the first signal is compliant with a universal serial bus standard;
sending the second signal to the computer, wherein the second signal is compliant with a universal serial bus standard;
and
the peripheral device receiving the at least one of power and charge and power appropriate for a represented one peripheral device connected to the hub in response to the first and second signals, from the computer.

Claims 2-6 (cancelled).

7. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 6, wherein the universal serial bus hub driver is a Windows™ based hub driver that complies with the universal serial bus standard.

Claims 8-21 (cancelled).

22. (Currently Amended) A system for at least one of charging and powering a personal digital assistant non-hub peripheral device, the system comprising

a connector for connecting the personal digital assistant device to the computer comprising a universal serial bus hub driver, the connector comprising a cable having a universal serial bus compliant plug and port combination;

a software module in the ~~peripheral device~~ personal digital assistant comprising a first signal module configured to represent the personal digital assistant to the computer as a hub instead of as a personal digital assistant to draw that enables the peripheral device to be at least one of charged and powered ~~by a from the computer by the software module including a first signal module for sending a first signal to the computer that identifies the peripheral device as a hub even though the peripheral device is not a hub, and a second signal module configured to represent the personal digital assistant to the computer as the hub being connected to one peripheral device if the personal digital assistant is not connected to any peripheral devices by sending a second signal to the computer;~~ and

a power-charge receptor in the ~~peripheral device~~ personal digital assistant for receiving the at least one of powering or charging the charge and power appropriate for a represented one peripheral device connected to the hub in response to the first and second signals, from the computer.

Claims 23-27 (cancelled).

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28. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 22 ~~claim 27~~, wherein the universal serial bus hub driver is a Windows™ based hub driver that complies with the universal serial bus standard.

Claims 29-42 (cancelled).